



Duvall News

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Community,

July is a great month for the kids in our community. School is out and many of them are excited about the warm weather. Therefore we will be seeing more and more kids on bikes and at our parks, so please drive carefully and of course enjoy the great weather and a walk on one of our great trails, or visit one of our parks.

Speaking of enjoying things, the Duvall Fun Run and the Fire Department's pancake breakfast were both huge successes. The weather held out for both events and I know that these two events are just the start of a great summer.

On a different note, we are a little late with announcing the 2010 Volunteers of the Year. This year, as usual, we have one adult and one youth who have, through their actions, exemplified what Duvall is all about as a community. Within this newsletter there are articles about Kimberly Engelkes and Alexandra Benson. Please congratulate them and thank them for their volunteer work if you see them.

Finally, SummerStage is starting up, and the Country Livin' Festival is just around the corner. Stay tuned for more information on these great community programs.

Sincerely,
Will Ibershof

2010 VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR KIMBERLY ENGELKES

Kimberly has given her time and energy to Duvall in many ways. Most recently, as President of the Historical Society, Kimberly organized their archives and helped them develop a website. One of her strongest attributes is that she never demands help with projects, yet is always an effective leader and recruiter of help. Kimberly is friendly and pleasant and has a great passion for preserving the history of Duvall for future generations.

Kimberly has been instrumental in planning for Duvall's upcoming Centennial year in 2013. She has given presentations, researched with other jurisdictions, organized and held meetings, and is the driving force behind our Centennial celebrations.

Lastly, she has been highly involved in planning for the Heritage Festival this fall at the Dougherty House. She has done all of this during her spare time without complaint. She exemplifies what a wonderful community of volunteers we have here in Duvall.

Congratulations Kimberly and thank you for all you do for Duvall!

WARM WEATHER, COLD WATERS!!

As our beautiful Pacific Northwest summer approaches and we begin spending more time around our plentiful waterways, please remember our snowpack melt makes this time of year more treacherous than usual for boaters, swimmers, rafters, inner-tubers, and kayakers using local rivers and lakes. Statistically, more preventable drowning deaths in King County occur in early summer.

King County has passed a summer-long requirement for wearing personal flotation devices when swimming, floating, or boating on major rivers running through King County. This requirement applies to anyone using a buoyant device, including an air mattress or inner tube, and to anyone swimming or wading more than five feet from shore or more than four feet deep. The regulation is in effect through October 31, 2011. First infractions would mean a warning – after that a possible fine up to \$86. The very fact they've passed this requirement confirms the seriousness of this issue.

As more of us head out to enjoy the warming weather, we need to remember this is also when the water is most perilous. Even strong swimmers can find themselves in a life-threatening situation in seconds. Rivers have debris clogs – use great caution when doing recreational activities on rivers. Swimming and water sports are a great way to stay active, but remember:

- Know the water – Washington waters are cold even on the hottest summer day.
- Know your limits – save your strength and stop *before* you tire.
- Learn to swim – young people are drawn to water to MAKE SURE your children have the skills to stay safe. Swim in life-guarded areas whenever possible.
- Alcohol and water activities *do not mix*.
- Stay within arm's reach of small children – close enough to reach them *immediately*.



For water safety tips and river hazards info, check out these links:

- <http://www.kingcounty.gov/recreation/boating/rivers.aspx>
- <http://kingcounty.gov/safety/sheriff/Enforcement/Specialized/MarinePatrol/River%20Hazards.aspx>
- <http://winmedia.kingcounty.gov/dnr/dnrp/SnoRiver.wmv>

Make FUN and SAFETY work together this summer!!



2011 SPECIAL RECYCLING COLLECTION EVENT
SATURDAY, AUGUST 6TH - 9:00 A.M. TO 3:00 P.M. (OR UNTIL FULL)
HOLY INNOCENTS CHURCH - 26526 NE CHERRY VALLEY ROAD

At this event you can get rid of household (not commercial) recyclables that are usually difficult to recycle in our area. *Watch your mail for a flyer with more details.*

You can bring: (fee next to item)

Household Goods and Clothes (donated to charity)

Lead-acid Vehicle & Marine Batteries (free)

Fluorescent Light Bulbs (50 cents each)

Passenger Tires (\$1 off rim / \$2 on rim)

Scrap Metal / Major Appliances (stove, washer, dryer, water heater, etc.) (free)

Electronics - computers, laptops, monitors and TVs, small fax machines & copiers, printers, scanners, phones, microwaves, keyboards, and more (free)

There **WILL NOT** be any bulky garbage collection at the event this year.

Contact Jodi Lee Wycoff, Duvall Recycle Contact, at 425-788-1185 or jodi.wycoff@duvallwa.gov for more information about this recycle event. Also look for a more detailed flyer in your mailbox in July.

Oil, Oil Filters / Antifreeze (free)

Refrigerators / Freezers (\$20 fee)

Plant Pots & Packing Peanuts (no other plastics) (free)



ALL Electronics are FREE this year!

CITY OF DUVALL 2010 YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR
ALEXANDRA BENSON

Alexandra (Alex) Benson is the personification of the phrase "Actions speak louder than words". Alex is a humble and unassuming young woman who is often so quiet you may not notice her at first, but the moment you interact with her or do some work with her you immediately realize what an amazing person she is. Alex will never call attention to herself or boast about the things she does and will never ask for recognition (for just these reasons alone she deserves to be recognized), but Alex is so much more than a humble hard working young woman.

Alex truly deserves the Youth Volunteer of the Year recognition as she has altruistically given her time and best efforts to every part of her community; from school, to church and in public service Alex has given her best and left everything she has touched organized and better than it was before. Ask anyone who knows her and I am sure they will beam about her.

Alex is very organized, responsible, mature, and has excellent communication skills. Alex has that special something that sets her apart. Alex seems to me the epitome of the well rounded and goal oriented student/young woman. The quality of her work and her work habits are tremendous. My recommendation of Alexandra Benson is without limit.

Thank you,
 Michael Moran, CHS Science Teacher/NHS Advisor

**CHERRY VALLEY SIDEWALK
 IMPROVEMENT PROJECT**

The City of Duvall applied for and received grant money from the State of Washington Transportation Improvement Board for a sidewalk improvement project on Cherry Valley Road from 3rd Avenue NE then west to NE Allen Street.

This project will work along side the Cherry Valley Elementary School's sidewalk improvement and will be completed by September 2011.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact Project Manager, Alana McCoy at 425-788-3434 ext. 230 or alana.mccoy@duvallwa.gov.



28TH ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

Please join your neighbors in National Night Out on August 2nd. This event promotes neighborhood crime watch and is part of a nationwide effort by law enforcement agencies and crime watch groups. This is a wonderful opportunity to promote police-community partnerships, crime prevention, and neighborhood camaraderie. If you would like help with ideas or organizing your neighborhood contact the Carnation-Duvall Citizen Corps at 425-457-6322.

For more information about how to make your neighborhood a safer place throughout the year see <http://www.nationaltownwatch.org/nno/index.html> or <http://www.carnationduvallcitizencorps.org/>.



**CALENDAR OF
 EVENTS**

July 14th & 28th : City Council Meetings - 7:00 p.m. in the meeting room of the Duvall Fire Station.

July 20th Planning Commission Meeting - 7:00 p.m. at the Duvall Community Center.

Save the Dates: Movies at McCormick Park. August 6th and 13th - www.duvallwa.gov/experienceduvall